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For: PARTIALLY CAPTURED ORIENTED INTERCONNECTIONS FOR BGA

PACKAGES AND A METHOD OF FORMING THE INTERCONNECTIONS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION UNDER RULE 1.181

Petitioner respectfully requests that the amendment filed on August 20, 2002, in the abovereferenced application be considered and that the amendment is responsive and the application is not, in fact, abandoned for failure to make a timely reply. Petitioner respectfully submits that should it be decided that the application is abandoned, that the abandonment be withdrawn for the purpose of entering the enclosed Request for Continued Examination and Request for Reconsideration.

A Final Office Action was mailed on June 20, 2002. On August 20, 2002, an Amendment and response to the Final Office Action was mailed by Applicant within two months of the mailing date for the Final Office Action, on June 20, 2002. The United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed an action on January 16, 2003, stating that the claims in the August 20, 2003 amendment do not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c) because there is no marked up version. During preparation of a Petition to Revive the current application, Petitioner noted that Applicant had complied with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c). After a discussion with the examiner, Applicant was advised to submit this petition, and Examiner

would submit a letter confirming his position on this petition. Applicant respectfully requests that this application not abandon, or in the alternative, be withdrawn for the purposes of entering the Request for Reconsideration and Request for Continued Examination.

February 24, 2003

Respectfully submitted for the Petitioner,

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